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Attention:

Federal Resources Branch, Room 3500

For Greg Wong, Transportation Programming

Dear Mr. Morales:

SUBJECT: MTC 2000/01-2002/03 FTIP Amendment 29

We have completed our review of Amendment Number 29 to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission's (MTC) 2000/01-2002/03 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP). MTC Resolution 3300, revised December 19, 2001, adopted the amendment. This amendment proposes additions and modifications to the State Highway and Transit Elements of the 2000/01-2002/03 FSTIP for various transportation improvement projects in various counties throughout the MTC Region.

The proposed amendment to project SF-010007, Illinois Street Intermodal Bridge at Islais, is not approved. The San Francisco Bay area is in a conformity lapse and this project is not exempt from the requirement to determine conformity.

We accept those projects in this MTC amendment that are consistent with the data in the California Transportation Improvement Program System (CTIPS). In accordance with 23 CFR 450 we find that the amendment was developed based on a continuing, cooperative and comprehensive transportation planning process in accordance with 23 USC 134 and Section 5303 of the Federal Transit Act (49 USC 53).

The San Francisco Bay Area is in a conformity lapse and only those projects exempt from the requirement to determine conformity may proceed. Except for the project mentioned above, the projects contained in this amendment are of the type that are exempt from the requirement to determine conformity and therefore are approved.

This finding has been coordinated with the Regional office of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Region Nine office of the Federal Transit Administration (FTA).

This letter constitutes joint FHWA and FTA approval for inclusion of the modifications proposed by MTC's 2000/01 FTIP Amendment No. 29, except for project SF-010007, mentioned above, into the California 2000/01-2002/3 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP). Furthermore, this approval is made with the understanding that FTA funding approval on individual projects contained in the FSTIP are subject to the grantees meeting all necessary FTA administrative requirements.

Sincerely,

Federal Transit Administration

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